

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, read as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A receiving apparatus, comprising:

a reception unit constructed to receive image data transmitted through a network different from a broadcast wave network, and to receive transmission mode information as to a plurality of transmission modes of a transmitting apparatus in transmitting the image data, the transmission mode information including different combinations of pixel number information and transmission rate information;

~~an output unit constructed to output the image data received by said reception unit to a display apparatus;~~

a broadcast signal receiving unit constructed to receive a broadcast signal from the broadcast wave, wherein the broadcast signal receiving unit derives, from the broadcast signal, broadcast program image data and event information including at least a URL for specifying the receiving image data and size and position information of a display area in which an image is displayed based on the image data received by said reception unit; and

a control unit for requesting transmission mode information of the image data specified by the URL from the transmitting apparatus which is a transmission source of the image data, in accordance with the event information received by said broadcast signal receiving unit and automatically selecting one transmission mode from the transmission mode information received by said reception unit, based on the size

information included in the event information, ~~of the display area in which the image is~~ displayed based on the image data, and based on the pixel number information and the transmission rate information in the transmission mode information, and generating a signal for requesting the transmitting apparatus to transmit the image data in the pixel number and the transmission rate corresponding to the selected transmission mode, and transmitting the generated signal to the transmitting apparatus; and

an output unit constructed to output to a display apparatus the image data received by said reception unit and the broadcast program image data received by said broadcast signal receiving unit so that the display apparatus displays the image data and the broadcast program image data in a Picture-in-Picture format by the display apparatus,

wherein said control unit is arranged to, when the broadcast program image data received by said broadcast signal receiving unit and the image data received by said reception unit are displayed by the display apparatus in the Picture-in-Picture format, change a display size of each of the image data received by said reception unit and the broadcast program image data in accordance with the size information included in the event information included in the broadcast signal corresponding to the displayed broadcast program.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Previously Presented) A receiving apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said control unit selects the transmission mode having a transmission rate lower

than that of a maximum reception speed in which said reception unit can receive image data through said network.

4. to 7. (Canceled)

8. (Previously Presented) A receiving apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said output unit includes a buffer memory for storing the image data received by said reception unit, and changes an amount of data to be stored in said buffer memory according to the transmission mode in which the transmission is requested to be performed.

9. to 28. (Canceled)

29. (Previously Presented) A receiving apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein the event information further includes information discriminating the image data.

30. (Currently Amended) A control method for a receiving apparatus, wherein the receiving apparatus comprises a reception unit, an output unit, a broadcast signal receiving unit, and a control unit, the method comprising the steps of:

the reception unit receiving image data transmitted through a network different from a broadcast wave network, and receiving transmission mode information as to a plurality of transmission modes of a transmitting apparatus in transmitting the image data, the transmission mode information including different combinations of pixel number information and transmission rate information;

~~the output unit outputting the image data received by said reception unit to a display apparatus;~~

the broadcast signal receiving unit receiving a broadcast signal from the broadcast wave, wherein the broadcast signal receiving unit derives, from the broadcast signal, a broadcast program image data and event information including at least a URL for specifying the received image data and size and position information of a display area in which an image is displayed based on the image data received by said reception unit; and

the control unit requesting transmission mode information of the image data specified by the URL from the transmitting apparatus which is a transmission source of the image data, in accordance with the event information received by said broadcast signal receiving unit and automatically selecting one transmission mode from the transmission mode information based on the size information in the event information; ~~of the display area in which the image is displayed based on the image data, and based on the pixel number information and the transmission rate information in the transmission mode information; and generating a signal for requesting the transmitting apparatus to transmit the image data in the pixel number and the transmission rate corresponding to the selected transmission mode; and transmitting the generated signal to the transmitting apparatus; and~~

an output unit outputting to a display apparatus the image data received by said reception unit and the broadcast program image data received by said broadcast signal receiving unit so that the display apparatus displays the image data and the broadcast program image data in a Picture-in-Picture format by the display apparatus,

wherein the method further comprises a step of, when the broadcast program image data received by said broadcast signal receiving unit and the image data

received by said reception unit are displayed by the display apparatus in the Picture-in-Picture format, said control unit changing a display size of each of the image data received by said reception unit and the broadcast program image data in accordance with the size information included in the event information included in the broadcast signal corresponding to the displayed broadcast program.

31. (Previously Presented) The method according to Claim 30, wherein the transmission mode selected by the control unit has a transmission rate lower than that of a maximum reception speed in which said reception unit can receive the image data through said network.

32. (Previously Presented) The method according to Claim 30, wherein said output unit includes a buffer memory for storing the image data received by said reception unit, and changes an amount of data to be stored in said buffer memory according to the transmission mode in which the transmission is requested to be performed.

33. (Canceled)

34. (Previously Presented) The method according to Claim 30, wherein the event information further includes information discriminating the image data.